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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
HIDEKI KAMADA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: STEELE, JENNIFER A  
SERIAL NO: 10/796,048 :  
FILED: MARCH 10, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1794  
FOR: POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FIBERS, :  
AND NONWOVEN FABRIC  
COMPRISING THEM

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2009, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Basis for Amendment** begins on page 8 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.